



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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17th September 2017 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 128 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

Jacqueline and I would like to say a big thank you to all those who attended the Induction on Tuesday evening.

A special thanks to those who worked hard and contributed in any way to the success of the event: the musicians, servers, cleaners, cooks, bar staff, UCM, and those who turned up early to set up the hall.

The Bishop himself was very impressed with the evening, along with many of the visiting clergy, not least of all the Anglican minister who joined us for the celebration.

In today's collect we pray that we might serve God with all our hearts. That is the promise we made to each other on Tuesday night as we responded to the questions posed by the bishop, first to the new Parish Priest then to the whole people of God, for that is who we are.

Let us look forward to fulfilling the promise together in the coming years, and to reaping the reward of drawing closer to God in worship, prayer, and service.

God bless.

Fr Keith.



Mass Intentions This Week

16 September: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service
18:00 Anne Walsh RIP + *

17 September:

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY

08:30 Sally Mahoney RIP *
10:00 All Parishioners # *
12:00 Tony Sollé + *

18 September: Monday

10:00 Joe Cullen RIP

19 September: Tuesday

10:00 Wellbeing of Gabriel Touré

20 September: Wednesday

10:00 Thomas Courcey

21 September: Thursday

10:00 Marguerite Conn RIP
12:00 **Funeral Mass** of Monica Gardiner

22 September: Friday

10:00 Caroline Koch RIP

23 September: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service
18:00 Alfred & Sylvia Nazareth RIP

24 September:

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners ~
10:00 Patricia Reeve RIP ~
12:00 Intentions of Danny Jasienski

+ With Baptism
~ With Children's Liturgy
With Uniformed Groups
* With Foodbank Sunday

WEEKLY DRAW

£5 - Mary O'Sullivan

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 686.00
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 613.16
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£2274.16

CHURCH CLEANING

TEAM A - Mrs Grant

COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection for the *Catholic Education Service* amounted to £776.34. Many thanks. This week there will be a second collection for *The Support of Home Mission*. **PLEASE NOTE** - There will be a second collection for *Fr Joe next Sunday, 24th September*. See the note overleaf for further information.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Ted Curry, Margarett Collins, Lauren Horwood, Phyllis Donnelly, Laila Tambini, Steve Richer, José Fernandez

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Thomas Bloxham, Sally Mahoney, Alan Kennedy, Jennifer Burnett, William Carneiro, Angela Marengi, Stephen Hayes, Doris McCarthy, Ivan Rodrigues, Grace Munro, Thomas Smyth, Daphne Nawrocka, Archibald Hansen, Robert West, Sophia McLaughlin, Henry Seymour(Harry) Gibbs, Michael Carroll, Anne Warnock, Owen McSweeney, Sr. Monica Cooley, Teresa Tunesi, Trinidad Lucio

<p style="text-align: center;">SOCIAL CLUB Sunday Evening Entertainment</p> <p>Sunday, 17th Sept: The 1st appearance of <i>Sean Wilson & Tony Mac</i> Sunday, 24th Sept: Finbar & Bernie Sunday, 1st Oct: Pat Hayes Sunday, 8th Oct: Eugene Doonan Sunday, 15th Oct: Tom Healy</p> <p>The <i>Annual Senior Citizens' Buffet & Dance</i> will take place on Sunday, 8th October from 1.00pm. To reserve a ticket for the event, please call Emer Cruikshank on either 020 8654 1184 or 07765 764393.</p> <p>The Social Club will be holding an <i>Abba Tribute Night</i> on Friday, 13th October. Tickets at £12.00 each are available from the Social Club on Sunday evening from 7.30am. <i>Admission will be strictly by ticket only.</i></p> <p><i>Coming in the autumn</i> - Declan Nerney: Friday, 17th November - Ally Harron & Marion Curry: Sunday, 26th November</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MEETINGS</p> <p>Ascent Group: Tuesday 19th at 10.30am (Large Hall) SVP: Tuesday 19th at 8pm (PRC) Community Sponsorship Group: Thurs 21st at 7.30pm (Small Hall)</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL REFERENCES</p> <p>Forms can now be downloaded from the Parish website. Please complete the form and return it to the presbytery, only then can an appointment be arranged with Fr Keith. Appointments will be available from Monday 18th to Friday 29th September.</p> <p>Primary school interviews will take place later in the autumn.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">THE AUTUMN FAYRE - SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER</p> <p>We are very grateful for the tremendous support that we have received for the Fayre in the last three weeks.</p> <p>This year our theme is <i>Party Time</i> and all funds raised will be presented to the <i>Community support scheme to help refugees from Syria</i>. We are delighted that two local businesses are providing sponsorship for the Fayre; LMB Lofts & the Cricketers, Shirley Road..</p> <p>The key features at the Fayre will be: - A range of activities for the children - An extensive selection of catering from across the globe to provide your Sunday dinner - The popular Dog Show - Homemade cakes with Tea & Coffee</p> <p>This weekend raffle tickets will be on sale after all Masses. There will also be envelopes with 10 books of tickets for you to take home sell to your family & friends - please return them by Sunday, 24th September.</p> <p>Next weekend will be collecting items for the following stalls: - Bottle Stall Soft Toys Nearly New Soft Toys - Prize Tombola Toiletries Jewellery Boxes of chocolates</p> <p><i>International Cuisine</i> - everyone who wishes to contribute to this stall, please sign the sheet at the back of church and state what you will be cooking/bringing or helping with. We need two or three people to cater for each particular dish, so we have enough of it. If you wish to know more please call Sylvia on 07870 608790.</p> <p>We still need a selection of items for the Auction; suitable items would include Rounds of Golf, Restaurant Vouchers, Sports Jerseys et al.</p> <p>We will need a team to bake cakes for the Fayre; if you can help, please see Fr Keith or a member of the team after Mass. This weekend, we also have a selection of apples which will be ideal for making pies, crumbles at al. Please collect a bag of apples after Mass.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS FOR FR JOE Sunday 24th September</p> <p>Please take an envelope from the porch for your offering, and bring it to Mass next Sunday for the second collection. A presentation will be made to Fr Joe at his celebration on 15th October.</p> <p>GIFT AIDERS: Please write your gift aid number clearly on the envelope. This will enable THE PARISH (not Fr Joe personally) to also benefit from your contribution. Thank you.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Donations may also be left with the Parish office.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">POPE FRANCIS AND THE FAMILY</p> <p>A meeting for the laity to explore and discuss the Pope's views on love in the family is being organised to take place shortly.</p> <p>Booking is essential. Tea and coffee will be provided.</p> <p>Kent: Sat 30th September, West Malling. 10am - 1pm Contact: carolemflkent@gmail.com or 07983 524727 South East London: Sat 7th October, Forest Hill. 2.30 - 5.30pm Contact: marriage@tiscali.co.uk or 07505 305297 South West London: Sat 4th November, New Malden. 10am -1pm Contact: marriage2014@virginmedia.com or phone 020 8651 2477</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OUR LADY'S REFUGEE WELCOME GROUP</p> <p>The next meeting in on Thursday 21st September at 7.30pm in the small hall. All welcome to attend. For more details contact: chris.sciberras@btinternet.com or 07522 357219</p>
<p><i>Items for collection:</i> A Gillen, J Catley, V Kearsley, Sr Celia, Mary O'Sullivan, MJ Watson, Paddy Nolan</p> <p><i>Bapt Certs:</i> Stevens, Gimenez Von Rusten, Wright, Sabatchi, Paredes, Selles</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTICE FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN AT NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Who wish their children to start preparation for 1st Holy Communion</p> <p>The 2 year 1st Holy Communion programme for children at non Catholic schools, will commence with registration on Tuesday 26th September at 5.15pm in the Parish Resource Centre. Children aged 6 or above on 1st September 2017 are eligible to attend. Full information and details will be available at the meeting.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2017 Soap and sweet making for the Autumn Fair</p> <p>All confirmation candidates are invited to help make soap and sweets to sell on their stall at the autumn fair. Come along to the large hall at 3pm on Sunday 17th September.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please bring your own mixing bowl and spoon.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">CROYDON CHURCHES FLOATING SHELTER AGM</p> <p>Will be held at Shirley Methodist Church on Saturday 23rd September at 9.30am. Light refreshments will be served from 9 am. All are welcome.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">28th CROYDON SCOUTS - OKTOBERFEST! Sunday 8th October 12 - 5pm Bears Wood Courtwood Lane</p> <p>Lots of fun activities for boys and girls. Hot food available to purchase, plus drinks and a tuck shop. Finish the day toasting marshmallows around the campfire.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tickets: £5 per child £3 per adult (Under 5's free) Contact Andrea Jones on 07952 664224 to reserve your place. Please come and support this event!</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS Saturday 23rd September St George's Cathedral</p> <p>Day begins at 11am. Tea & Coffee is provided but please bring a packed lunch. Please inform the office as soon as possible if you wish to attend, and a place will be booked and paid for by the Parish.</p>